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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PEPR, IS

SUBJECT: SHILO SETTLEMENT

REF: TEL AVIV 2570

1. WE WILL LEAVE TO YOUR JUDGMENT TIMING OF FURTHER
DEMARCHES TO BEGIN PER STATE 49516, BUT WE BELIEVE
THAT IT SHOULD BE RAISED
PERIODICALLY AND SOON. WHEN YOU DO RAISE ISSUE WITH HIM,
HOWEVER, YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT OUR RETURN TO THIS
SUBJECT IS EXPRESSION OF THE VERY GENUINE AND SERIOUS CON-
CERN FELT HERE SO LONG AS THERE IS NO SATISFACTORY SOLUTION
TO THE PROBLEM.

2. OUR RATIONALE IN PART DERIVES FROM YOUR OWN EXCELLENT
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ANALYSIS, IN SEVERAL RECENT MESSAGES, OF WHAT MOVES BEGIN.
WE DO FEEL THAT HE IS AFFECTED BY THE ONGOING PRESSURE OF
EVENTS AND OF POLITICAL REALITIES. I BELIEVE YOU SHARE
OUR JUDGMENT THAT BEGIN, WHILE POWERFULLY MOVED BY
IDEOLOGICAL CONSIDERATIONS, IS ALSO A SHREWD POLITICIAN
WHO DOES TAKE ACCOUNT OF POLITICAL REALITIES. WE ARE
ENCOURAGED BY THE EXTENT OF POLITICAL REAPPRAISAL CURRENTLY

GOING ON IN ISRAEL ON THE SETTLEMENTS ISSUE AND FEEL THAT THE SHILO CASE CONTINUES TO BE A SIGNIFICANT ELEMENT IN IT.

THERE IS AN IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL ELEMENT. ON THE SETTLEMENTS ISSUE GENERALLY, AND THE SHILO CASE IN PARTICULAR, WE MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT AND ADDRESS OTHER CONSTITUENCIES, HERE AND IN ISRAEL, AS WELL AS BEGIN. WE DO NOT THINK THIS A CASE WHERE WE CAN SIMPLY "AGREE TO DISAGREE" AND GO ON TO OTHER MATTERS. WE WANT THE RECORD TO SHOW VERY CLEARLY, AND BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND, THAT IT REMAINS PENDING BUSINESS.

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